



TUCSON COMMISSION ON GAY, LESBIAN, BISEXUAL AND TRANSGENDER (GLBT) ISSUES MEETING NOTES

The regular meeting of the Tucson Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender (GLBT) Commission was called to order by Co-Chair Danielle Flink and Michael Woodward on **Tuesday, October 20, 2009**, at 5:30 p.m. at the Ward I offices, 940 West Alameda, Tucson, Arizona.

Commission Members	Representing	Present/ Absent	City Staff Present
Michael Woodward <i>Co-Chair, Outreach, Firefighters Task Force, Vendor Compliance Task Force</i>	Mayor (Robert Walkup)	P	Paul McDonough, Tucson Fire Dept.
Alicia Calahorra <i>Human Relations Commission liaison, Vendor Compliance Task Force</i>	Ward 1 (Regina Romero)	P	
Emery Nicoletti <i>Firefighters Task Force</i>	Ward 2 (Rodney Glassman)	P	
John-Peter Wilhite <i>Co-Chair, Outreach, Firefighters Task Force, Park Watch</i>	Ward 3 (Karin Uhlich)	P	
Cecile McKee	Ward 4 (Shirley Scott)	P	
[Vacant]	Ward 5 (Steve Leal)	[Vacant]	
Ronnie Kotwica	Ward 6 (Nina Trasoff)	P	
Pam Liberty <i>Legal</i>	Mayor & Council (at-large)	P	
Al Whitehurst <i>Human Relations Commission</i>	Mayor & Council (at-large)	A	
Danielle Flink <i>Co-Chair, Education, Vendor Compliance Task Force</i>	Mayor & Council (at-large)	P	
[Vacant]	Mayor & Council (at-large)	[Vacant]	
Michael Hutchins <i>Social Services</i>	Mayor & Council (at-large)	P	
Sat Bir Khalsa	Human Relations Commission	P	
			Members of the Public Present
			David Martinez III
			Dick Rehse
			Dr. Chad Mosher
			Jeanne Kleespie
			Dee Dinota
			Kathy Herrera

Pursuant to Mayor and Council direction (Regular Session, September 15, 1975) the Committee's minutes are transcribed in a summary style format. Expanded versions of certain specific items, as determined by the Chairperson of the Committee, will be provided upon request. These summary minutes comply with the requirements of the State's Open Public Meeting Law.

	AGENDA ITEM	MOTION	ACTION	FOLLOW-UP RESPONSIBILITY
1.	Call to Order / Roll Call / Introductions: Time: 5:33 p.m.			
2.	Approval of minutes from Tuesday, Sept 15, 2009 meeting.	Motion by: John-Peter Wilhite Second by: Michael Hutchins Abstain: Pam Liberty Vote: Voice vote of: <u>Motion Passes Unanimously</u>	Noted corrections: none	
3.	Co-chairs' Reports on Current Events (Michael Woodward, Danielle Flink)			Michael Woodward is currently chairing the University of Arizona President's LGBT Council, where primary focus is expected to be restoring DP benefits to employees.
4.	SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS			
a.	Education (Danielle Flink)			No report
b.	Legal (Sat Bir Khalsa)		Attorney and ally Jeanne Kleespie is interested in serving on the subcommittee once the new Commissioners have been seated	
c.	Outreach (John-Peter Wilhite, Michael Woodward)			No report

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d.	Social Services (Michael Hutchins)			No report.
e.	Human Relations Commission Update (Sat Bir Khalsa, Alicia Calahorro)			No report; HRC did not reach quorum
f.	Firefighters Task Force (Emery Nicoletti, John-Peter Wilhite, Michael Woodward)		Paul McDonough reported that the TFD Bridge Committee will meet in November, and the department was happy to announce the opening of a new fire station.	
g.	Vendor Compliance Task Force (Alicia Calahorro, Danielle Flink, Michael Woodward)		Regarding Procurement Department policy non-conformance, Pam Liberty recommended talking to Mike Rankin.	Pam will set up conference call with Rankin, Danielle Flink, and Alicia Calaharro.
OLD BUSINESS:				
5.	Compilation of the Commission's history (John-Peter Wilhite)			UofA Library now has our documents. They will be archived and available for researchers nationwide.
6.	City of Tucson training issues (Michael Woodward)			No report
7.	Healthcare Quality Index			No report

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8.	Commission's budget request/funding opportunities (Cecile McKee)		Issue moved to Strategic Planning. Remove from agenda.	
9.	GLBT Commission's current website (Michael Woodward)		Michael Woodward provided email addresses and login information to commissioners so they can begin using POP mail accounts at tucsonglbtcommission.org	Michael will determine URL so individuals can use Web-based email and change passwords without his assistance.
10.	Commission vacancies/renewals (John-Peter Wilhite, Michael Woodward)		City Clerk's office has names of newly appointed Commissioners posted on their Web site, but individuals have not been contacted by the Clerk.	Michael Woodward will check minutes of City meeting to see if appointments have been before Mayor and Council.
11.	Meeting with TPD Chief (Ronni Kotwica)		<p>Chief Villaseñor will attend the Nov 17 Commission meeting. He requested topics for discussion.</p> <p>Suggestions included</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Current status of Park Watch ▪ General relations ▪ Training/Cultural competency 	
12.	Update on the status of Boy Scouts of America			Danielle Flink will contact Al Whitehurst regarding how much the BSA received from the City.

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13.	Letter from Amphi School District Employee (John-Peter Wilhite, Pam Liberty)	<p>Motion by Pam Liberty to form a committee to investigate and recommend action on withdrawal of domestic partner benefits at Amphi.</p> <p>Second by Sat Bir Khalsa</p> <p>Vote: Voice vote of: <u>Motion Passes Unanimously</u></p>	Chairs recognized Dee Dinota, an Amphi employee who lost health coverage for her partner and their children.	Pam Liberty, David Martinez, and Michael Hutchins will serve on the ad hoc committee.
14.	Commission getting City staff support person (Alicia Calahorro)		Issue moved to Strategic Planning. Remove from agenda.	
15.	10 year anniversary celebration for Commission (Michael Woodward, Alicia Calahorro, Michael Hutchins)		<p>Task force met to discuss ideas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Reunion of former commissioners ▪ Fund-raiser ▪ Press release/media event to increase visibility 	Task force will continue working on plan
16.	Anti-Hate Crime Task Force (Sat Bir Khalsa)		Sat Bir Khalsa reported the first public meeting of the task force was held. The next meeting will be at the Patrick Hardesty Substation on December 8, 1:30-3:30pm	David Martinez will attend. Michael Woodward will try to attend.
	NEW BUSINESS:			
17.	Strategic planning (All Commissioners)		Weekend strategic planning retreat proposed for early spring. Discussion will include mission and purpose of the Commission;	Danielle Flink will check availability of Every Voice in Action for retreat space.

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			budget/fundraising options; staff/intern support options; anniversary recognition	
18.	Future agenda items		December meeting?	
19.	Call to Audience			
20.	Adjournment: Time: <u>6:40pm</u>	Motion by: Cecile McKee Seconded by: Sat Bir Khalsa Vote: Voice vote of: <u>Motion Passes Unanimously</u>		



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Guest Register

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